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THE CAMPAIGN FOR ST. MARY'S PARISH AND SCHOOL

THE LORD HAS CHOSEN YOU TO BUILD A HOUSE AS HIS SANCTUARY. BE STRONG AND SET TO WORK.

1 CHRONICLES 28:10

SAINT MARY'S PARISH AND SCHOOL

is a dynamic place, where our youth begin their journey with Christ and learn their ABCs. It is a place our parishioners call their spiritual home, where they grow in community and faith. Our purpose is to be a welcoming place, providing for everyone. This is becoming more and more difficult as our facilities age. So to meet the needs of our growing faith family, we need to enhance our buildings to better serve our community.

This building project is critical as we continue to minister to our brothers and sisters in Christ. This includes, as well, those who are likely to join us from our neighboring communities in the years to come. This project is also important as we look to ensure our facilities will remain strong and usable for decades to come.

THE MISSION OF SAINT MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

is to provide a Catholic education in a Christ-centered environment which enables students to attain religious and academic excellence. The mission of Saint Mary's Parish is to bring people into a growing relationship with Christ and His One Holy Catholic Church.

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Thanks to the favor GOD has shown us, we laid a foundation. Now, we need to build upon it. 1 Corinthians 3:10

Our Work Begins Today! After years of discussion and planning, parish leadership is ready to move forward with a capital campaign to address facility needs within the school and to expand our faith formation and gathering spaces.

Capital Campaign Goal: $3,500,000

The St. Mary's building steering committee and design-build contractor developed the facility renovation and expansion plans. The plans have been carefully studied and reviewed over and over to make sure they truly cover what is needed with no wasteful extras.

Renovate and Expand Saint Mary School.

Saint Mary School opened in 1920. We have been providing a Catholic education for students for nearly a century. The current school building was built in 1983, and Kindergarten was added that year to create a K - 8 Catholic School. Saint Mary School currently educates 180 students in preschool through Grade 6. When the building opened more than 35 years ago, 140 students were enrolled at Saint Mary School. Now with more students and changing student needs in technology and more, updated and additional instruction space is needed. This project will bring all classrooms under one roof, including music and library.

Create a New Parish Center for Parish Gatherings and Faith Formation.

Our current facilities provide inadequate space for sharing our faith, building relationships and gathering for events such as speakers, celebrations, funeral dinners and more. On a given day, there may be up to six separate groups meeting for faith studies, parish meetings, sacramental studies, adult Bible sharing, RCIA classes and more. We are a busy, active faith community and space is needed to meet the needs of our parish. The parish's operating budget cannot handle these projects and funding will need to come from a capital campaign.

FY18 July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

Revenue	Expenses	Net Surplus
$1,589,088	$1,575,890	$13,198

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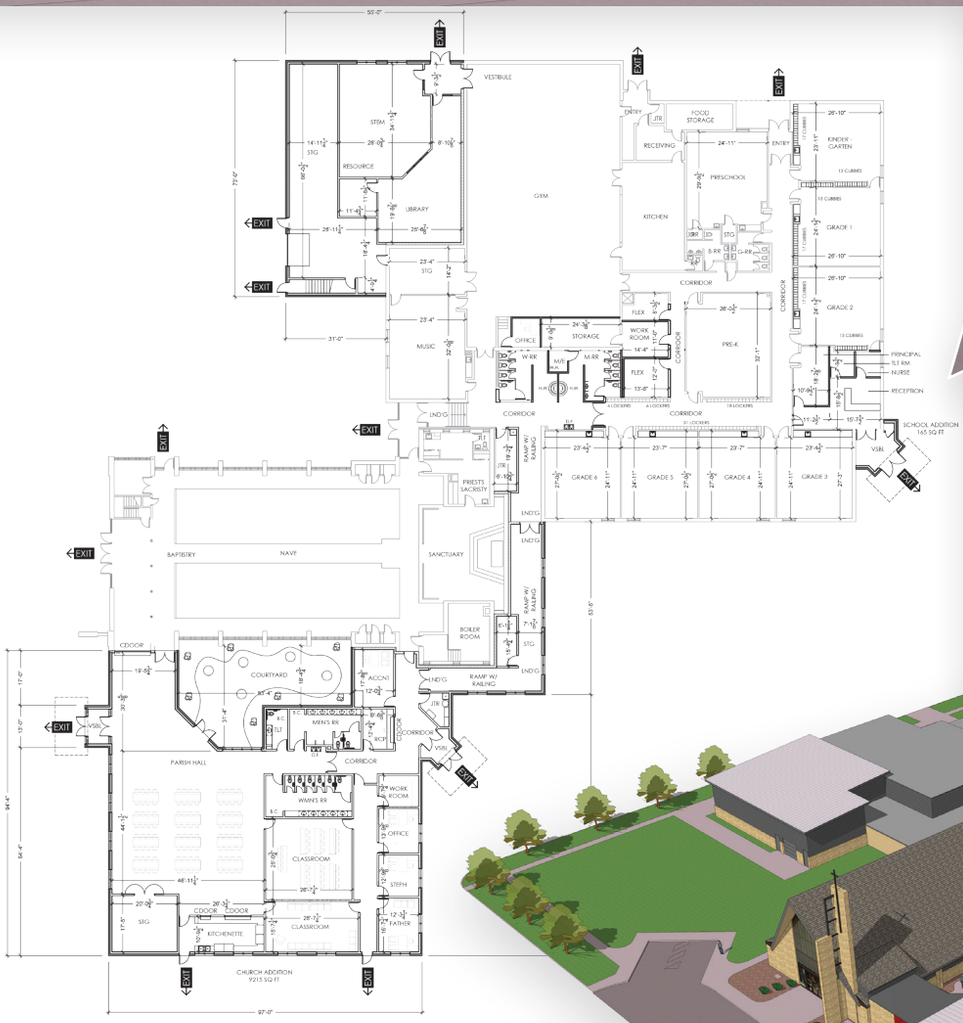

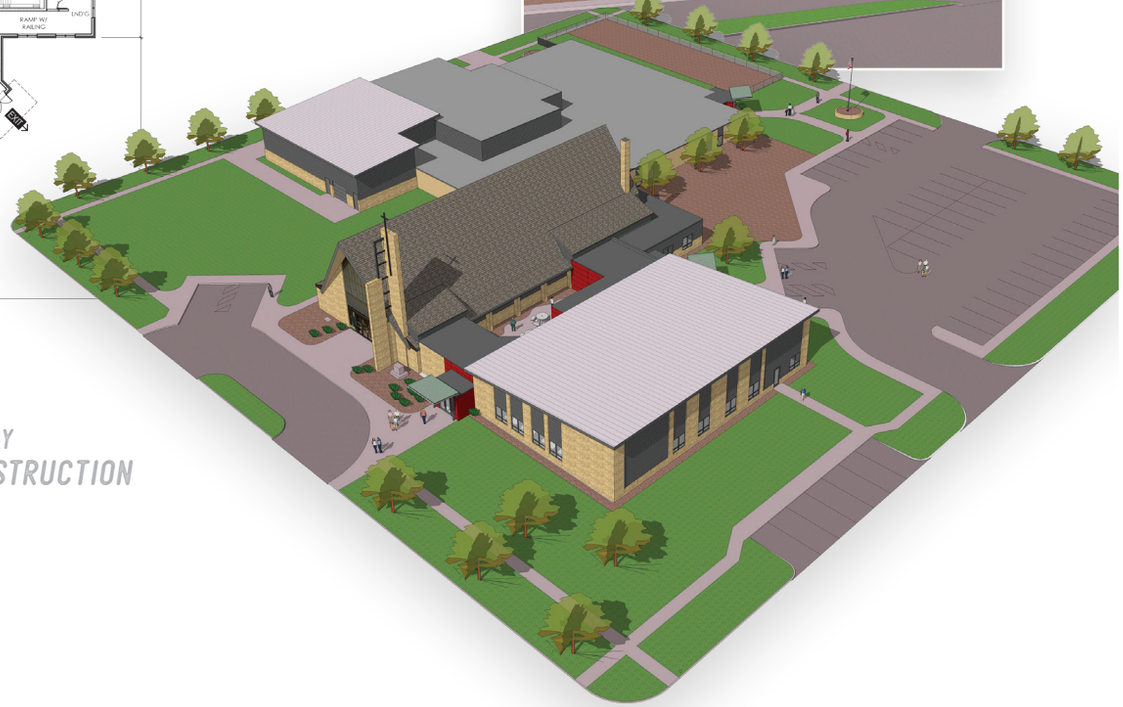

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ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE FOR THE ONE WHO BELIEVES.

MARK 9:23

School Renovations & Addition

The addition means the creation of new education space and renovation of existing rooms and offices. Presently, classes are overflowing into the convent, and this is not working well. The addition calls for a new centralized entrance to Saint Mary School, creating a welcoming environment for all. Each classroom will have a complete renovation, and the south restrooms will be renovated and expanded for school and parish events.

Parish Center. Including a parish hall & kitchenette. Parish offices. Educational & meeting rooms. And restrooms for church and parish center use.

As a parish, we have more and more youth and adult faith formation programs happening, but we simply do not have the necessary space in the present office building (former rectory). Both the former rectory and convent have structural limitations and safety concerns. A new Parish Center, built on the south side of the church, includes a large parish hall with a capacity of 100 people. This would be ideal for the typical size of funeral dinners we serve, and would work well for family and other social gatherings. The parish center would include a kitchenette, storage space, and restroom facilities, available for the church as well as the parish center. A welcoming lobby area would attach the parish center to the church and create a nice space for social gatherings after Mass.

In addition, the new parish center would house parish offices for the Pastor and parish staff, and two educational/meeting rooms greatly needed for youth faith formation programs and the various adult Bible study programs for men and women, RCIA programs, and parish meetings. The parish center would enclose a beautiful courtyard between the south side of the church and the center itself, a space aesthetically pleasing that will provide opportunities for prayerful meditation and gatherings.

Thank you for your prayerful support of this monumental building project for Saint Mary's Parish and School.

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